Field Notes Preparation

This station does not have an official preparation lesson, however teachers may wish to have students respond to the same questions or conduct a similar wildlife habitat evaluation in their schoolyard, after the field day. A comparison between the two sites could be completed as an additional assignment.

Adult chaperones should be briefed on which one of the two options (A Sense of Place or Is There Still Room for Wildlife?) the students will work on the day of the field trip. The science teachers should also indicate whether they would like this exercise to be completed individually or in teams (such as the small groups to which the students have been assigned for the day.)

If the teachers have selected "A Sense of Place" questions, the students may need prompting while imagining how the site has changed over time. Adult chaperones should read the History of the Meadow Farm included in the on-line curriculum.

Similarly, if the teacher opts for "Is There Still Room for Wildlife?" adult chaperones may want to review the bird guide and wildlife list provided as a part of the wetlands station and available as a part of the on-line curriculum.